



Be part of the IMVPA Family



May 2026



FROM THE TOP by Bruce Gates, President, IMVPA

We had a good Idaho MVPA meeting on April 7th. Thank you to everyone who showed up for it. We got a lot accomplished at the meeting.

April 15 to 18 was the California show at Camp Plymouth. I hope everyone who attended had a good time. I'm sure we'll hear about it at the May meeting on the 5th of next month.

It's time to get that military vehicle out and ready for some events. Get them ready and serviced because it looks like this could be a very active season. Every year we have more requests to show our vehicles than the previous year and this year is no exception.

May 16 is Armed Forces Day and we'll be in the Nampa Parade America. I'll have times and where we'll be staged when we get a little closer to the date. After the parade they want us in a car show at Lakeview Park on 16th and Garrity Rd. This show in the park is something new and it's by invitation only so I'm not sure who all will be there or much about it.

May 16 is also the Apple Blossom Parade in Payette, ID. Anyone who wants to be in that parade should call Twana at 208-739-3905 for a spot and for times.

May 25th is Memorial Day and we'll be at Kohler Lawn Cemetery for their annual show. We'll meet up at Gates & Associates 604 N. 36th St. between 8:30 AM and 9:00 AM then convoy over to Kohler Lawn. They would like us there by 9:30 AM. When their festivities are over we'll convoy over to the Warhawk Air Museum and join their festivities for the afternoon.



IMVPA CLUB OFFICERS

President: Bruce Gates * Vice President: John Downs * Treasurer: position open * Quartermaster: Craig Donat
Secretary: Erik Kunkle * Social Media Directors: Benjamin Sterling and John Downs
Newsletter Editor: Ron Powell (on hiatus until October 2026. Scott O filling in.)

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Need to contact the newsletter editor? Use this email: imvpanewsletter@gmail.com

S1 ADMINISTRATION: MEETING MINUTES by Erik Kunkle, Secretary

The April 7 meeting was held at Gates and Associates. President Bruce G. called the meeting to order at 1900L. 15 Members were present.

Treasurer Report (Bruce G.): As of 7 April 2026

-In the Account: \$3600

Expenditures Since 3 March 2026 meeting:

-\$1000 – Boise Lotus Corp. (107.1 HANK FM for advertisement of June show)

--Billed for 30 slots and a Remote, HANK FM donating another 30 slots

-\$460 – Six new IMVPA Club Banners

-\$99 – Software Newsletter Editor (Ron P.) needs for the IMVPA Newsletter

Old Business:

-2026 Upcoming Events (See **S3 Operations** in this newsletter, the club website Calendar and the members-only Facebook page under **Events**)

May 16 Parade America Nampa

Bruce G. was contacted by Nampa's Parade America organizer Mike Miller. Bruce G briefed that Parade America (16 May in Nampa) would like to have as many IMVPA vehicles as possible at their first car show in conjunction with the Parade. The car show would be in Lake View Park (The one with the plane on a stick and across the road from the tank) following the parade. Alan J. suggested the car show provide a dedicated spot so all our vehicles could be displayed together. The logistics of our vehicles getting from the parade to the car show was also discussed. Bruce G. said he would talk more with Mike Miller about our concerns.

4- 6 June 3rd Annual IMVPA Car Show

Erik K. briefed that all vendors and outside MVP clubs in the West were contacted via email. And he would follow-up with them. As part of the radio advertisement, 107.1 HANK FM will do a remote on Saturday, 6 June between 10AM and 12PM. They will talk with attendees, and talk with owners of vehicles.

Craig D. Passed around a sign-up sheet for help with the grill. It was decided that Friday and Saturday of the show will be the only days the grill will be opened.

John D. (Lead Show Organizer) briefed that Faith Outdoors covered the insurance for the show. Still working with Bishop Defense to cover the radio advertisement cost.

Shitz S. suggested we wave the \$20 vendor fee for out of towners.

Meeting Minutes continued on next page.



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SI ADMINISTRATION: MEETING MINUTES *continued*

New Business:

Scott O. (IT and Website Editor) briefed the following:

- PayPal is set-up for IMVPA dues and June show vendor fees. Scott O., John D., Erik K., and Bruce G. are still working out details
- IMVPA Website updated to highlight advertisement of June Show
- A distribution list and club Gmail account has been created and able to distribute to 500 people. Scott O., Bruce G., and Alex G. will work out details once IMVPA membership list updated
- New IMVPA logo designs were passed around for consideration. (*Ed. six logo designs were passed around at the meeting, including the original club logo. They are available to view at the members-only Facebook page. Info on how to join is available in this newsletter.*)
- IMVPA members-only Facebook page is now available for members to connect directly with each other as well as being a source for up-to-date information on club activities. Information on how to join can be found in this newsletter.

Erik K. (Secretary) briefed the following:

- He and Erin K. have updated the IMVPA membership list using lists provided by Ron P., Alex G., and Bruce G as source documents. Lists then passed around to members present to update and handed over to Bruce G so he and Alex G. can have the final look.

Bruce G. (President) briefed the following:

- Possible Silver City convoy, 20 June 2025. He and Craig D. will ride up and scope out the area and provide more info at the May meeting

Bert B briefed the following:

- Kuna Parks and Rec reached out to him about his jeep and club members participating in Terra-Tactile, an event held on the Green Belt in Kuna, behind City Hall. It is a "Touch a Truck" type event that features first responder, road work machinery, farm equipment, etc. The event is 13 June, from 11AM to 2PM.

Conclusion:

- Discussion turned to Camp Plymouth in California the week of 13- 18 April
- Membership dues were collected
- Meeting adjourned at 20:15L



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S3 OPERATIONS

May

May 16 Parade America, Nampa, ID. No details about the staging point or assembly time available at time of publication. Look for an email before the event with more information.

After the parade we will join a car show at Lakeview Park on 16th and Garrity Rd. This show in the park is something new and it's by invitation only with few details at time of publication.

<https://www.nampaparadeamerica.com/>

May 16, Payette, ID Apple Blossom Parade. Anyone who wants to be in that parade should call Twana at 208-739-3905 for a spot and for times. It will have a military theme.

<https://payetteappleblossomfestival.com/>

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<https://warhawkairmuseum.org/event/memorial-day/>

June

June 4th—6th, 9am to 5pm, Caldwell, ID. IMVPA 3rd Annual Military Vehicle Show and Swap meet. 4114 Dearborn St, Caldwell, ID 83605. See the details below and in the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

June 13th, Terra-Tactile, 11AM to 2PM, Kuna, ID. On the Green Belt behind City Hall. It is a "Touch a Truck" type event that features first responder, road work machinery, farm equipment, etc.

July

July 4th, Fourth of July Parade, Caldwell, ID. Details to follow in June newsletter.

July 18th, Emmett Lions Club Car Show, Emmett, ID. Details to follow in June newsletter.

<https://emmettshowandshine.com/>

August

August 29 & 30, Nampa, ID. War Bird Roundup, Warhawk Air Museum, Nampa. Details to follow. <https://warhawkairmuseum.org/event/warbird-roundup-saturday/>



Idaho Military Vehicle Show and Swap Meet
June 4 to 6, 2026 9am to 5pm
4114 Dearborn Street, Caldwell, ID 83605



S4 SUPPLY / QUARTERMASTER Quartermaster, Craig Donat

LIST OF SUPPLIES AVAILABLE FOR REQUISITION

- ★ Club T-Shirts, \$20.00, check with the QM for available sizes and how to pick one up.



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 | This space is for you |
 | to place an ad. |
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FOR SALE

| Please use it! |
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SCUTTLEBUTT: RUMORS YOU CAN TRUST

- ★ Missed a newsletter? They are posted at both the website and the members-only Facebook page <https://www.idahomvpa.org/newsletter>
- ★ Need to contact a club officer? Here's a link to send an email: <https://www.idahomvpa.org/contact>
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- ★ A vehicle information placard is available at the back of this newsletter. You can fill it out, put it in a plastic sleeve and place it on your vehicle.
- ★ Club business cards are available for distribution to members. They are double-sided so you can add your contact info if desired. See Club VP John Downs.



IMVPA is a 501c non-profit

We are a non-profit dedicated to military vehicle enthusiasts and collectors interested in the preservation and restoration of antique military vehicles

IMVPA meets on the first Tuesday monthly

Owning a military vehicle is not required to join

www.idahomvpa.org



_____ Member name

_____ Member phone

_____ Member email

- ★ If you want a digital version of the club business cards with your personal contact info on the back, send an email to the newsletter editor at imvpanewsletter@gmail.com with the info you want on the back of the card. You will get a digital copy that you can take to a printer such as Staples.
- ★ A fillable PDF version of the IMVPA membership application is available at the home page of the club's website. <https://www.idahomvpa.org/>. This version allows a person to fill the form out using their computer instead of printing it out and filling it out by hand. The completed application can then be emailed to imvpanewsletter@gmail.com.



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S2 INTELLIGENCE: AFTER ACTION REPORT

IMVPA Starts 2026 Strong by Erik Kunkle

Normally our first event of the year as a club is Memorial Day at Kohlerlawn Cemetery in Nampa. This year, we started early. Way early.

The good folks of the Lewis Clark Trader Gun show invited us to participate in their February 28 through March 1st show at the Ford Idaho Center, Sports Complex. During a time when our vehicles are normally taking the winter off to have preventive maintenance done, (or in my case, spring another leak) we had a good many club members participate. We had several who wanted to, but had previous engagements.

NINE vehicles represented the Idaho MVPA at this event. Roy and Don were there representing the Marine Core in force with the Ambulance, MUTT and Mighty Mite. Ron had his Army WWII jeep. Bert, Sara and Evelyn had their USMC Combat Engineers jeep. John had his USMC HMMWV Ambulance. Craig had his US Army HMMWV with US Army flags and guidons waving. Erin and I had our Dodge WC-63, and Alan had his Case Airborne Tractor.

We handed out lots of flyers and spoke with people about our upcoming Show and Swap meet. People were really excited to hear we were having a June show, and that we were also collecting toys for Saint Vincent de Paul's Christmas Store at our IMVPA Third Annual Military Vehicle Show and Swap Meet.

All -in-all it was a great weekend and really good to be back amongst friends and have our vehicles out amongst the public again as a club. This is going to be a great 2026.



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Heap Herders Show, Caldwell, April 25

Club member Patrick Walker attend this event which offered delightful weather and good crowds. Patrick wants to encourage members to join him next year at this event.



Did you attend an event? Send us pictures and a short write up. This will help encourage more members to attend events.



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IMVPA Military Vehicle Show/Swap Meet by John Downs

3RD ANNUAL

IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE SHOW AND SWAP MEET

JUNE 4-6, 2026

9AM - 5PM

4114 DEARBORN STREET, CALDWELL, ID 83605

- ★ DOZENS OF MILITARY VEHICLES
- ★ RAFFLE DRAWINGS
- ★ SWAP MEET VENDORS AND FOOD
- ★ FREE GENERAL ADMISSION & PARKING
- ★ EVERYONE WELCOME: GENERAL PUBLIC, HISTORY BUFFS, VETERANS & REENACTORS



VENDOR INFORMATION:

SWAP MEET SPACES: \$20

VEHICLES/DISPLAY AREA: FREE



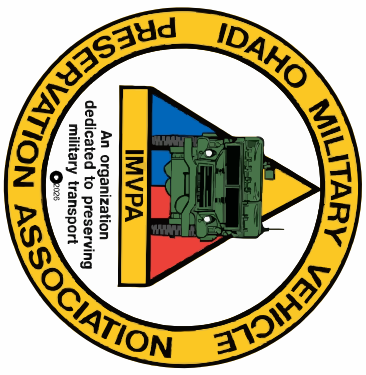
CONTACT INFORMATION:

STARK AUTO ORDINANCE: 208-866-5711

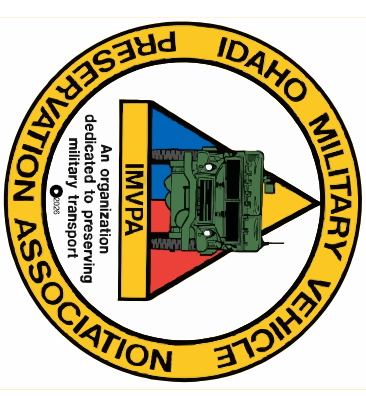
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**Meet our
sponsors:**





Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association



Vehicle Type/Model:

Year of Mfg:

Years of Service:

Vehicle Purpose:

Vehicle Owner:



Join us for our annual Idaho
Military Vehicle Show and
Swap Meet in Caldwell, ID

Interested in military vehicles?
Join Idaho Military Vehicle
Preservation Association





Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association

Membership Application

Since 1993, our Idaho Organization has been dedicated to the preservation of old and historic military vehicles. The IMVPA encourages the acquisition, preservation, restoration, and the public education of historic military vehicles. The Idaho club encourages and supports museums as well as national and community events.

Ownership of a military vehicle is not a requirement for membership!

Membership Fees: \$20.00 per year

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Please mail this membership application to:

Bruce Gates
PO Box 592
Nampa, ID 83652

Monthly meetings are held on the **first Tuesday of the month** at 7:00 PM
Please call **(208) 890-2249** for more information





501(c) ORGANIZATION DONATION RECEIPT

Name of Organization: Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association

Mailing Address: 604 N 36th St, Nampa ID 83687

TIN: 820457259

DONOR INFORMATION

Donor/Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

DONATION STATEMENT

Thank you for your donation with a value of _____ dollars

(\$_____), made to the above-mentioned 501(c) organization.

Donation Description: _____

I, the undersigned representative, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that there were no goods or services provided as part of this donation.

Furthermore, as of the date of this receipt the above-mentioned organization is a current and valid 501(c) organization in accordance with the standards and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Representative's Signature: _____

Representative's Name: _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____